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SUBJECT:WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - EA/ROC

1. BEGIN THIS WEEK, THE EA/ROC WEEKLY STATUS REPORT WILL BE TRANSMITTED TO ADDRESSEES TELEGRAPHICALLY.
2. MORE ON PRC DEFECTOR FAN

THE LETTER FROM PRC DEFECTOR FAN YUAN-YEN ASKING SECRETARY VANCE TO INTERCEDE WITH THE PRC ON HIS FAMILY'S BEHALF HAS ARRIVED. WE ARE SITTING ON IT. WE ARE PREPARED TO FOLLOW THE PRESS GUIDANCE APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY THAT FAN'S REQUEST IS QUOTE BEING CONSIDERED UNQUOTE, BUT WE ARE UNEASY WITH THIS GUIDANCE BECAUSE THE TAIPEI PRESS WILL PROBABLY CHOOSE TO INTERPRET THIS AS A CONFIDENTIAL

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FAVORABLE SIGN OF THE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION OF THE REQUEST. BILL GLEYSTEN WILL BE DISCUSSING THIS WITH YOU.

IN THE MEANTIME, THE TAIPEI PRESS CONTINUES TO PUBLICIZE FAN'S REQUEST AND THE POSSIBILITY THAT HE WILL COME TO THE U.S. TO PURSUE IT. I HAVE TRIED DISCREETLY TO DISCOURAGE THE ROC FROM PURSUING THIS TACK, AND EMBASSY

TAIPEI HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO DO LIKEWISE.

2. QUOTE THE NEW GENERATION UNQUOTE BEGINS PUBLICATION

CHANG CHUN-HUNG, THE FORMER EDITOR OF THE OUTSPOKEN QUOTE TAIWAN POLITICAL REVIEW UNQUOTE WHICH WAS PERMANENTLY BANNED LAST OCTOBER, HAS NOW FOUNDED ANOTHER PUBLICATION QUOTE THE NEW GENERATION UNQUOTE TO SERVE AS A FORUM FOR OPPOSITIONIST VIEWS. CHANG'S BOLDNESS IN CREATING THIS NEW MAGAZINE AND THE GOVERNMENT'S ACQUIESCENCE IN GRANTING HIM A PUBLICATION PERMIT WERE UNDOUBTEDLY STRONGLY INFLUENCED BY THE ADMINISTRATION'S HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY.

3. ISRAELI-ROC KFIR ISSUE

PM IS FINALIZING A MEMORANDUM TO THE SECRETARY ON THE ISRAELI REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO MARKET THE KFIR IN TAIWAN. THE MEMORANDUM IS CONSISTENT WITH OUR RECOMMENDATION THAT WHILE WE TELL THE ISRAELIS WE COULD NOT AGREE TO SALES AT THIS TIME, WE KEEP OUR OPTIONS OPEN BY AVOIDING A FLAT TURNDOWN. MEANWHILE, THE ISRAELI-ROC DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT APPEAR TO BE STALLED. VANCE

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